



CELEBRATING THROUGH THE PHASES

Ideas to help you celebrate what is good right now.

Your elementary kid is learning and discovering new things about themselves and the world around them every day. Engage them in their interests, and celebrate all the good things that are happening in this phase.

You can make almost anything fun with an elementary-aged kid! Here are some celebration ideas to get you started:

Special school days (like the last day of school)

Meet them at the bus stop with whatever fits the occasion—balloons, popsicles, silly string, water soaker toys, cupcakes, snow toys, noisemakers, etc.

Trying new things (like a new sport or hobby)

Make their favorite dinner. Set the table with colorful paper plates, napkins, and a sprinkle of confetti.

Positive traits you notice (like showing kindness)

Write a note about things you see in them that impress you and put it in their lunch box or on their pillow.

Mastery of a new skill (like learning to ride their bike)

Hide a small gift or special snack and have them go on a treasure hunt!

Making new friends

Invite their friends (new and old) over for a playdate.